

February, 1909, at Dallas, N. C., and immediately accepted into the National Guard of North Carolina. The station of the Company was very shortly moved to Gastonia, N. C.

This Company engaged in the joint maneuvers at Chickamauga Park in 1910; attended all National Guard encampments held at Camp Glenn, N. C.; Federal service on the Mexican Border for four months, 1916-1917, and was mustered out of Federal Service on February 15th, 1917. It was again mustered into Federal service on August 5th, 1917, and preceded the regiment to Camp Sevier on August 10th, where it remained until September 12th and then became Company "D" of the 105th Engineers.

At the time of the transfer the company was commanded by Capt. John P. Reinhardt, assisted by 2nd Lt. Richard W. Rankin."

"Immediately upon the formation of the regiment, September 12th, 1917, intensive training in infantry and engineering work was begun under the command and direction of Colonel Harley B. Ferguson and the able assistance of Major (now Colonel) Joseph Hyde Pratt.

Until May 18th, 1918, this training was continued, with the exception of possibly one week when the thermometer was so low that outside work was impracticable. The regiment and the Engineer Train received their full equipment and were able to train in all branches of the work without hindrance. A great deal of work was done in preparing training grounds, rifle ranges, lakes and trenches, which proved to be a most valuable method for obtaining results in training."